Part of the Homelessness Policy Research Institute’s (HPRI) mission is to help facilitate high quality, rigorous, and timely research to support a range of stakeholders working to end homelessness across the LA region. As part of this, HPRI conducts a wide range of rapid-response policy research, including: literature reviews, data analysis requests, policy briefs, and other research products to inform timely policy decisions.

Recent rapid-response projects include:

- A literature review on strategies to reduce visible homelessness in Los Angeles County, as well as an estimated of the number of people that would need to be sheltered or housed to reduce visible homelessness by 30% by the 2021 Homeless Count.
- A literature review on predictive and protective factors of homelessness.
- A policy brief on aging in place with permanent supportive housing.
- A memo on high-impact, cost effective homelessness interventions and interventions that can be targeted to specific populations.

Prominent local and national homelessness research scholars from a wide range of disciplines are engaged in HPRI, bringing a unique multidisciplinary lens to rapid-response research. Through this diversity, HPRI harnesses the collective talent of the region’s top scholars to produce timely, relevant, and actionable research that directly informs timely policy decisions.

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